

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the listing of claims as follows:

Claims 1-12 (Cancelled).

13. (Currently amended) A cosmetic composition comprising:

a liquid phase; and

a powder, the powder comprising:

a gelling agent for the liquid phase; and

mineral or organic particles, provided that the particles have a

hydrophobic surface nature when the liquid phase is aqueous, and provided that

the particles have a lipophobic surface nature when the liquid phase is oil-based,

having surface properties that give the particles a low affinity for the liquid phase,

wherein the liquid phase is encapsulated in or immobilized on the surface of a solid carrier, the solid carrier being dispersed in the powder or a component of the powder,

and wherein the cosmetic composition is in a powder form that is transformed into a cream upon application.

14. (Previously presented) The cosmetic composition of claim 13, wherein the liquid phase is aqueous,

the gelling agent comprises a starch modified by carboxymethyl groups, and

the mineral particles comprise titanium dioxide-based particles treated with a

silane group, a fluorinated group, or a combination thereof.

15. (Currently amended) The cosmetic composition of claim 13, wherein the liquid phase is ~~only~~ oil-based,

the gelling agent is made up in whole or in part of particles of modified mica, and

the mineral particles comprise metallic oxide particles with lipophobic groups

grafted on their surface.

16. (Previously presented) The cosmetic composition of claim 14, wherein the cosmetic composition is transformed from a powder form into a water-based composition with the texture of a cream upon application.
17. (Previously presented) The cosmetic composition of claim 15, wherein the gelling agent comprises fluorinated mica particles, and wherein the cosmetic composition is transformed from a powder form into an oil-based composition with the texture of a cream upon application.
18. (Previously presented) The cosmetic composition of claim 17, wherein the mica particles are fluorinated and modified with potassium.
19. (New) The cosmetic composition of claim 13, wherein the liquid phase is aqueous and the particles have a hydrophobic surface nature.
20. (New) The cosmetic composition of claim 13, wherein the liquid phase is oil-based and the particles have a lipophobic surface nature.